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Maps: G.S.G.S. 4336 and 4249, 1:100,000 12 AG OUTLINE MAP 1:1,400,000 (Situation Map attached).

1. FRONT LINE: See Map.

BOUNDARY CHANGES:

From 041200B May 45 To 051200B May 45 Hq. 12th Armý Group APO 655 052300B May 1945

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Boundary between 12th Army Group and 6th Army Group was modified as follows: Equal running rights were granted to 12th Army Group on that part of road BAD ISCHL V4018 - GOISERN V4110 - BAD AUSSEE V5408 in zone 6th Army Group.

Boundary between First Army and Third Army (effective O41200B): As before to NABBURG P2104 (to First Army) - thence along NAAB River to SCHWARZENFELD U1997 (to Third Army) - SCHWARZACH River to NEUNBURG U3793 - CHAM U5880 - REGEN and WEISSER Rivers to THIERNSTERN U8779 (all to First Army) - thence east to Czechoslovakian border vicinity U9180. Running rights on road CHAM-CHAMERAU U6478 - MILTACH U6674 to Third Army.

The boundary between V Corps and VIII Corps became boundary between First Army and Third Army effective 041930B.

The former boundary between First Army and Third Army, as effective at 041200B, became the boundary between V Corps and XII Corps east of P0506, at 041930B.

- 2. LOCATION OF TROOPS: See Map.
- 3. ADJACENT UNITS AND SUPPORTING TROOPS.

6TH ARMY GROUP. (041200B). FIRST FRENCH ARMY. I French Corps. 5th French Armored Division. Advanced up to five miles to the southeast on a five-mile front. Combat Command "5" supported the 1st Choc Group in capturing FELDKIRCH C4150. Front line change: C3654 - C4150 - RANKWEIL C4554 - GOTZIS C4461 - C4764 - C5165 - C5270 - C5576 - C6074 - C6779 - C6982. 1st French Armored Division. (With 2d Choc Gp atchd). Advanced up to eight miles to the south on a ten-mile front. Front line change: C9382 - HINDELANG C9882 - D0981. 4th French Mountain Division. (With 126th Inf and 2d Gp Moroccan Tabors atchd). Commenced relief of the 5th French Armored Division. 2d Moroccan Division. Commenced relief of the 1st French Armored Division.

II French Corps. lst French Division. Commenced movement to an assembly area in the vicinity of X3055. The 1st Infantry closed in new assembly area.

SEVENTH ARMY. (Army Troops). 100th Division and 63d Division. No change. 86th Division. Attached in place and further attached to XV Corps.

VI Corps. 44th Division. Advanced up to eight miles to the southeast on a fifteen-mile front and occupied MASSEREITH D3561, IMST D2753 and OBSTEIG D4160. The 44th Recommaissance Troop protected the right flank and reached the vicinity of HAGERAU C9453. Front line change: D2056 - V4852 - D2753 - D2856 - D3157 - D3561 - D4160. 103d Division. The 409th Infantry captured ZIRL D6558 and advanced west in the INN River Valley to the area D5262 - D5260. The 410th Infantry captured INNSBRUCK D7858 and advanced to the east in the INN River Valley to the vicinity of SCHWAZ E0069. The 411th Infantry advanced south along the INNSBRUCK D7858 - BRENNER PASS W1024 road to VIPITENO W0515 where they contacted elements of the 88th Division (15th Army Gp). Front line change: D5262 - D5260 - D5461 - D7556 - W0515 - D7756 - JENBACH E0474.

XXI Corps. 36th Division. The 142d Infantry advanced south along the road from KOCHEL SEE $\overline{\text{Y7102}}$ to LRUNN D6784 and reached the vicinity of WALLGAU D6786. The 141st Infantry crossed the ISAR River in the vicinity of PAD TOLZ Y8714 and advanced south up to six miles on a three-mile front. Front line change: D6786 - Y7300 and Y8710 - Y9004 - Y9112 - Y9013. 4th Division. Advanced up to four miles

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to the southeast on a four-mile front against light opposition. Front line change: Z0209 - Z0608. 12th Armored Division. Combat Command "R" advanced up to seven miles south on the east back of the INN River. Combat Command "A" assembled in the vicinity of Y9528 and Combat Command "B" assembled in the vicinity of Y7508. Front line change: Z3406 - Z3709. 2d French Armored Division. Continued movement to an assembly area in XXI Corps sector. Combat Command "V" reached the vicinity of Y7519. 101st Airborne Division. Commenced movement to an assembly area in the vicinity of Y7531.

XV Corps. 3d Division. Advanced up to thirty miles to the east along the autobahn to SALZBURG Z9726 which surrendered. Units turned south from the vicinity of OB SIEGSDF Z6726 and reached the area Z7519 - Z7518. Other units turned south in the vicinity of Z8422 and reached BERCHTESGADEN Z9506. Front line change: Z6726 - Z7518 - Z7519 - Z7124 - Z8027 - Z8620 - BAD REICHENHALL Z8516 - Z9013 - Z9010 - Z9506 - Z9112 - Z8716 - Z8820 - Z9726 - Z9028 - Z8129 - Z6726. 42d Division. Advanced up to seven miles to the east on a five-mile front. Units of the division crossed the INN River and followed the advance of the 20th Armored Division. Front line change: Z3927 - Z3434 - Z3338. 20th Armored Division. Crossed the INN River in the vicinity of WASSERBURG Z3550 and advanced up to fourteen miles on a five-mile front. Units of the division reached LAUFEN Z8840. Front line change: Z4043 - Z5040 - Z5244 - Z5248 - Z3550.

21 ARMY GROUP. SECOND BRITISH ARMY. 5th US Armored Division. Attached to 21 Army Group and further attached to XVIII US Airborne Corps 4 May. The division continued to assemble in XIII US Corps zone.

XVIII US Airborne Corps. 82d US Airborne Division. (With CCB 7th Armd Div atchd). The 505th Parachute Regiment controlled prisoners of war in the area T1327 - T1520 - T2115. 7th US Armd Division. (Less CCB). Units of division advanced to the vicinity of T0999 where they captured a seaplane base which contained twenty undamaged seaplanes. Front line change: T0999.

VIII British Corps. 15th Division. Advanced up to eight miles to the east on an eight-mile front. Front line change: S7471 - S6773 - S6673 - S6671 - S6667 - S6566.

XII British Corps. 7th British Armored Division. Advanced up to six miles to the northwest on a nine-mile front. Front line change: QUICKBORN S4273 - PINNEBERG S3665. 53d Division. Completed relief of 7th British Armored Division in HAMBURG S5055.

XXX Corps. No change.

FIRST CAMADIAN ARMY. I British Corps, II Canadian Corps and I Canadian Corps. All no change.

AIR. (4 May). Eighth Air Force: No operations were conducted during the 4th of May due to adverse weather conditions. Ninth Air Force: IX Bombardment Division: No operations. The Tactical Air Commands flew 473 sorties. 4 aircraft were lost. Claims included 5 enemy aircraft on the ground, 4 enemy aircraft in the air and 315 motor transport.

4. WEATHER (Battle Area).

Precipitation: Light rain beginning in the south during the morning and moving to other areas during the day. Clouds: Small amount in north, but broken to overcast in the southern portion of the battle area. Visibility: 2 - 3 miles at dawn, becoming 4 - 6 miles by 1000B, except in rain where limited to 2 miles. Wind: 12 mph, east southeast. Temperatures at WIESBADEN: Maximum 49° F. Minimum 45° F.

5. OUR OPERATIONS.

12TH ARMY GROUP. THIRD ARMY. Enemy resistance on the army front was light and scattered. (Army Troops). 474th Infantry (non-div). No change. 70th Division. No change. 16th Armored Division. Attached to V Corps. Enroute to V

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III Corps. No change.

XX Corps. 3d Cavalry Group. Screened the corps right flank in the area Z8770 - STR/SSWALCHEN VI146 - SCHORFLING V3744. The bridge at SCHORFLING was captured intact. Front line change: Z8770 and V3744. 80th Division. The 317th Infantry (mtz) advanced southeast up to thirty-two miles on a twenty-five mile front and captured the bridges intact over the ACER River in the vicinity of VOCKLABRUCK V4151 and SCHWAMENSIADT V4957. Cleared the enemy from VOCKLABRUCK. The 318th Infantry Regiment and the 319th Infantry Regiment assembled south of BRAUNAU Z9375. Front line change: STRASSWALCHEN V1146 and V3851 - V4151 - V4957. 71st Division. Advanced southeast on a ten-mile front and gained up to forty miles. Captured the bridge intact over the ACER River at LAMBACH V5662 and cleared the enemy from the town. Captured the bridges intact over the TRAUM River in the vicinity of V5961 and at WELS V6770. Front line change: V5662 - V6162 - V6065 - V6267 - V6569 - STEYR V9760 - V6770 - HOFKIRCHEN V4575. 65th Division. Advanced east up to eight miles on a five-mile front. Front line change: V5686 - V5987 - EFERDING V6587 - V6490.

XII Corps. 26th Division. (Less 328th Inf). The 328th Infantry Regiment was attached to the 11th Armored Division. 11th Armored Division. (With 328th Inf atchd). Advanced southeast up to seven miles on a fifteen-mile front. Front line change: V7091 - V7690 - LINZ V8588 - V8393 - V8197 - V8297 - GALLNEUKIRCHEN V9494. 90th Division. Commenced to assemble in the area KIRCHAITNACH U7661 - U8369 - U7573. 2d Cavalry Group. The 2d Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron advanced east up to five miles and cleared the enemy from NATTERNBERG Q0780. Front line change: Q0780.

V Corps. Attached to the Third Army at 041930B in place. 2d Division. Completed the relief of the 359th Infantry (90th Div) and was then attached to the Third Army at 041930B in place. Adjusted its front line positions. Front line change: U8197 and P6710. 97th Division. Advanced east on a six-mile front and gained up to seven miles. Attached to the Third Army at 041930B in place. Front line change: P5048 - P5149 - P5055 - P5057. 1st Division and 102d Cavalry Group. Attached to the Third Army at 041930B in place.

FIRST ARMY. (Army Troops). 78th Division. No change. 9th Armored Division. Attached to V Corps. Combat Command. "R" closed in an assembly area in the vicinity of P2712. Attached to the Third Army at 041930B.

VIII Corps. 6th Armored Division. Major General ROBERT W. GROW 04621 evacuated 30 April and Brigadier General GEORGE W. REID JR. 012603 assumed command 30 April.

VII Corps. No change.

NINTH ARMY. XIX Corps. 83d Division. (With 113th Cav Gp atchd). A patrol contacted Russian forces in the vicinity of HOBECK D9595. The 113th Cavalry Group assembled on the west side of the ELBE River. The 331st Infantry Regiment commenced movement to the west side of the ELBE River. Russian forces occupied the towns of STECKBY D9574 and STEUTZ D9873. Front line change: D9873 - D9574. 30th Division. Established contact with Russian forces in the vicinity of GRUNEWALDE D7588 at 050700B and in the vicinity of D6899 at 051010B.

XIII Corps. 102d Division. The 406th Infantry Regiment completed the relief of units of the 5th Armored Division in the vicinity of Y1030 and assumed responsibility for the new sector. 84th Division. Continued to relieve units of the 5th Armored Division. 5th Armored Division. Relieved from attachment to XIII Corps, attached to the Second British Army and further attached to the XVIII US Airborne Corps on 4 May. Continued to assemble in its present location. 35th Division. Continued to relieve units of the 5th Armored Division.

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